

NAVY OPERATED 450 WAR CRAFT

Thirty Thousand Men and
Five Thousand Officers
Required for Fleet.

During the year 450 vessels, with an aggregate tonnage of 4,019,235, were operated by the Naval Overseas Transportation Service, according to a statement made public by the Navy Department. The largest number of vessels in actual operation at one time was 575. The naval transportation service comprised more vessels than were in the pre-war fleets of the Hamburg-American, North German Lloyd and Cunard lines combined, and transported approximately 8,000,000 tons of supplies, munitions, and materials. To man this fleet required 5,000 officers and 30,000 men. Soon after the beginning of American participation in the war, navy crews were placed on all vessels passing through the war zone.

Wood Alcohol Kills Woman.

Winchester, Va., May 14.—Funeral services were held today for Mary Deavers, 60 years old, from wood alcohol poisoning. Police found several bottles containing denatured and wood alcohol and paregoric in her home. She came here about 20 years ago from Rockingham County, Va.

Names of 18,000 Are Taken From Pay Roll of U. S.

From its war strength of 117,360 the force of government employees in the District has dropped to 92,378, a net decrease of more than 18,000. Before the war the government workers here numbered 38,227. While 28,303 war workers have been released, many of them have been absorbed into the government service in the bureaus whose work increased after the war. The only bureaus whose forces did not fluctuate noticeably as a result of the war are the Smithsonian Institution, the Interstate Commerce Commission and the Panama Canal Commission.

Grand Jury Holds Two On Manslaughter Charge

(Special to Washington Herald.)

Boston, May 14.—George Keefe, a motorman, and Joseph P. Lawlor, automobile driver, have been indicted by the grand jury for manslaughter. Keefe is alleged to have caused the death of Charles W. Stockton, a conductor, who was crushed by Keefe's car, while he was adjusting the trolley pole on his own car. Lawlor is charged with having caused the death of Aniasad Zine, a boy, who was knocked down by Lawlor's truck at the South End, on January 7.

COLLADAY HEAD OF G. O. P. CLUBS

League of District Republicans
Elects National
Committeeman.

Edward F. Colladay, national committeeman of the District of Columbia, was elected president of the League of Republican Clubs of Washington, at the annual meeting of the organization at league headquarters, 1326 New York avenue. Local Republicans representing twenty-nine States attended the session.

Other officers elected include Horace D. Newton, Wisconsin, first vice president; W. J. Dow, Missouri, second vice president; Gus A. Schults, District of Columbia, recording secretary; William H. Estey, New York, corresponding secretary; and A. E. Chaffee, Nebraska, treasurer.

Colladay announced that Will H. Hays, national Republican chairman, would meet with the League of Republican Clubs next Tuesday evening at the University Club. He also said the District of Columbia had been promised recognition by the selection of local Republicans as officials at the National Republican convention to be held in Chicago next month.

ARTILLERY RACE MEET ENTRIES CLOSE MAY 24

Entries for the Race Meet to be held by the three batteries of the Nineteenth Field Artillery on May 25 will close Monday.

The meet will include nine events: Polo pony conformation, officers' polo pony race, rescue race, section contest, mounted wrestling, polo pony performance, officers' bending race, stick and ball race, and Roman race.

Events will have first, second and third-place ribbons, in addition to purses: First place, \$10; second, \$6; and third \$4, except in the mounted wrestling event, where first-place purse is \$20.

Blast Blinds Workman; He Gets \$11,000 Damages

Barre, Vt., May 14.—An important opinion has been handed down by the Vermont Supreme Court in the case of Charles Barclay vs. Wetmore and Morse Granite Co. Judgment of \$11,000 was affirmed. Barclay while employed at the defendants' quarries, was blinded when a charge of dynamite exploded after a blast had been set off.

THEIR CANDIDATE FOR CHIEF EXECUTIVE IS "CONVICT 9653" IN ATLANTA PRISON



This is the picture of the executive committee of the first students' "Debs-for-President" Club in America.

This club is composed of 150 students of the University of California, Berkeley, Cal., all of whom have espoused the cause of "No. 9653" convict in Atlanta, Georgia, prison.

At a recent meeting on the campus Debs was cheered, and the poet Wittner Bynner read a poem in which he styled the Socialist candidate as "another God in jail." The ushers all wore service buttons.

According to President William Warner, a college debater, the club is pledged to work for the freeing of Debs and other political prisoners, deplores violence of any kind, advocates the restoration of civil liberties, urges recognition of Soviet Russia, and stands for nationalization of industry.

"We are all good Americans," says Warner. "There's only one long-haired man and one short-haired woman in the organization."

WOMAN LEGION MEETING ENDS

Mrs. James W. Wadsworth,
Jr., Chosen President of
Organization.

Mrs. James W. Wadsworth, jr., was elected president of the American Women's Legion when the organization concluded its convention with a meeting yesterday at the Marine barracks.

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt was chosen first vice president, Mrs. Charles Whitcomb second vice president, Mrs. Marlborough Churchill third vice president, Mrs. George Boyd secretary, and Mrs. Walter S. Turpin treasurer.

The constitution, which was recently drawn up by a committee, was submitted to and adopted by the organization, as were resolutions advocating universal military training, opposing the passage of the soldier bonus measure, and endorsing the Boy Scouts.

The delegates and officers attended the air tournament at Bolling Field during the morning and early afternoon.

HARRIS VIEWS CADET PARADE

Two Thousand High School
Boys Pass Before Adjutant General.

Resplendent in newly pressed uniforms and white gloves, carrying carbines or sabers, 2,000 Washington high school cadets passed in review before Maj. Gen. Peter C. Harris, adjutant general of the army, on the Ellipse south of the White House, yesterday afternoon.

Seated in a roped-off enclosure on the Ellipse were occupied by the District Commissioners, army officers and school officials. The big oval was lined with hundreds of onlookers.

A volunteer marcher, a boy of 7 years, clad in a nondescript shirt and trousers, with a black cap pulled down over his right ear, closed the ranks. He grinned as he passed Gen. Harris and Gen. Harris smiled back.

Col. Lanham read to the cadet officers a letter from Secretary of War Baker, congratulating the cadets on their appearance in the recent exercises at Central High School stadium in honor of the winners of the national army essay contest.

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